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EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

OBSERVATIONS OF PASSING EVENTS.

THAT was an ugly item which was sent out from New Bern a few days ago telling how some of the State Guard returning from camp at Morehead frightened a little negro at New Bern so badly that he broke his leg in flight. The soldier boys pursued him at a fearful pace and the little boy in the race fell and received serious injury. It was bad manners and should have been condemned by those who were in authority over the soldier boys.

IT HAS been given out through the papers recently that Harnett county has had only six sheriffs since the county was established, and that all of them were present at the great celebration in Lillington two weeks ago. If we remember correctly, Harnett county was established about 1855, and that would give each of the six sheriffs an average of eight years apiece. This is a "good record" both for the people of the county and for the sheriffs who have served it.

A CORRESPONDENT from Washington to the Charlotte Observer gave an interview with Senator Overman who talked thus on the race issue: "The races in our State are in perfect harmony. The negroes in North Carolina do not care to vote and they are well contented with their present conditions. As for the much discussed race issue, it only exists with those who desire to create it. That question will adjust itself if let alone. That is all we in the South desire."

THE following unique news item was sent out from Washington, N. C., a few days ago, but we would admonish the colored brethren that such blessings come not by prayer. The item says: "All day long and extending into the night a medium sized crowd of negroes, led by an elder, has been in the county court house praying and singing and passing a petition to Congress to pass the Hanna bill introduced in the last Congress for the purpose of pensioning the ex-slaves. They have been loud in their lamentations and are led by an elder who is duping them."

RECENTLY there has been some discussion concerning the number of candidates for the gospel ministry as compared with the number of such candidates in former times. Rev. R. C. Holland, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran church, of Charlotte, states there is a decline in the number of candidates for the ministry. It is observed that the same state of affairs applies to all denominations. The Richmond Times-Dispatch says: "We believe that the reason for this decline is to be found in the fact that the churches are not taking as good care as they should of their old preachers. Some time ago, in conversation with a distinguished clergyman—and by the way he was a Presbyterian clergyman—we were astonished to hear him say that he had laid up nothing for his old age, although for many years he had been getting a fairly good salary, as preachers' salaries go. But the demands upon a warm-hearted preacher are so great that it is very hard for him to save anything out of his scant salary, and if the preacher does try to save he is apt to get the reputation of being penurious, and so impair his usefulness. Nor can he engage in any outside business by which to make money. He must give his whole time and attention to his work, if his work is to be properly done, and when he has worn himself out in the service he and his family should be properly cared for by the church which he served."

Two weeks ago THE COMMONWEALTH asked three of our scientific exchanges why so few women stammer and why so few women are bald-headed. The question was directed especially to the Greenville Reflector, the Charlotte Observer and the Norfolk Landmark. Only one of these scientists has answered, the Greenville Reflector, and here is what it says: "Life is too short and the price of provisions too high to allow us to consider the subjects at length and in a strictly scientific manner, but if a little mid-summer philosophy of a very light nature will soothe the truth-seeking soul of our Scotland Neck contemporary, we are not the scribe to withhold the same. While we have known one woman stammerer, we will admit that they are infrequently encountered. This we attribute to the fact that women think with their hearts while men think with their brains. The heart being automatic, requires no process of ratiocination, while the brain must be worked by hand, figuratively speaking. The fact that women are seldom bald may be accounted for thusly: They take a great deal more care with their hair than men, spending more time upon it than upon any other personal possession, or accomplishment, if you will. As about three-fourths of a woman's life is passed indoors, they do not wear hats long enough at a time to prevent fresh air from affecting their hair. It is well known that the masculine custom of wearing hats constantly is responsible for many smooth and shiny pates."

After answering so closely and scientifically our inquiry, the Reflector tries to ratchet with us by asking the following question: "And now will THE COMMONWEALTH get a good grip on its mental gymnastics and solve the following? When a man stands on his head, the blood immediately rushes to that point. When he stands on his feet why doesn't the blood rush to his feet? Now, don't say it is because his head is hollow and his feet are not."

Now, doesn't our friend, the Reflector, know that the centre of gravity is in the biggest lump? And so the blood must stay in the proper end from the waist belt. But we do not propose to be catechised, for we have not set up as a scientist like the papers to which we referred the questions of stammering and baldheads.

The Fast Cure.

Selected.
The fast cure is one of the new ideas that will become fixed in the minds of the people. In fact, it is today very firmly believed in by many who have adopted a more simple regimen of food and, in some cases where the outlay of effort is slight during a day, have formed the habit of omitting one meal, either the breakfast or the luncheon, from the usual three.

A great many of the ailments that humanity suffers from proceed directly from the stomach, while as many more proceed indirectly therefrom. Apoplexy, heart failure and in many cases sudden death, can be traced directly to the stomach, overtaxed and weak, yet pushed on to the task for which it is unequal. The result is inevitable.

A restricted diet is always an aid toward recovery, and fasting, together with the hot water treatment, that is, cups of hot water drunk during the day as a tonic, will produce remarkably quick cures in some stomach troubles. Doctors prescribe milk diets and other diets not so much for the virtues of the diet itself as to avoid the harmful effects of the foods it excludes. To keep a person on a milk diet for a week or two means that the stomach gets a complete rest.

As to the fasts one generally hears of, such as fasts of several weeks that have been known to produce good results, they are a matter to be regulated by the individual constitution and could not be recommended generally. But there is one rule that would hurt no one, and that is a general restriction in eating, especially in the item of meat. That is why the abstinence of Lent is so beneficial.

Dyspepsia especially yields to fasting and light meals rather than dieting. Indigestion is only a symptom of something awry with the internal machinery, and one of the most common-sense cures is to give the machinery a rest and let the body right itself.

But the dyspepsia are continually dosing themselves with drugs or trying to find something they can eat with safety. Everything disagrees with the overburdened digestion, but they never stop for a day or two days to allow the wheels to rest.

Many cases of dyspepsia have been cured by advising fasting for awhile and then gradually regulating the diet. This, with fresh air and exercise, deep breathing, which is especially helpful in this disease, and hot water, taken internally, baths and massage, will surely bring about improved conditions even in cases of long standing.

Where the Work Is to Be Done.

There is a good deal of preaching nowadays about irreverence of young people and their impatience with religious life. The people who have children are more to blame for this than anybody else. If they would look after the training and education of their own people instead of adopting machine methods of kindergarten and Sunday-school instruction in plenty, probably there would be a very marked change in public sentiment toward the things that used to be regarded as sacred.—Charlotte News and Courier.

There were never words more fitly spoken. Irreverence is becoming the bane of modern life. Parents are not reverenced. The aged man or woman does not get the meed of respect due. The home is not revered, the church is not held as reverently as of olden times.

But there is a cause for all this, and if improvement comes the cause must be removed. Parents and others who should mould and shape child life are responsible for this state of affairs. They do not give enough personal attention to the care and training of their children.

The kindergarten is a good thing in its place. So is the Sunday-school. But neither of these agencies is supposed to do nor are capable of doing the most important work that takes place in individual life.

That work must be done in and by the home. No other force in the world can do it as it should be done. Do not trust to others to do the work that should be done by the home—the neglect of which work means a blight throughout life.—Kinston Free Press.

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PRECIOUS STONES GET SICK.

When the Turquoise Fades the Jewel Doctor is Called in.

New York Mail and Express.
Jewels, like lovely women who wear them, may be "indisposed." According to A. J. Linde, a New York expert in precious stones, the sickness of gems is no uncommon thing.

"Diamonds," said he, "are free from maladies because of their great hardness, but other gems, such as rubies, sapphires and pearls, all have their ailments. Now, here is a sick turquoise which I am trying to cure. You can see it is set in a ring with two other stones. Just note the dull, faded color compared to the healthy turquoise, and you will see the difference at once."

"The effect is due to atmosphere and surrounding conditions. As man is affected by the weather, so was this stone. You see the particles of which it is composed were softened by the elements; a change in its color took place, and the stone is what we call 'sick.' Whether it can be cured remains to be seen."

"We usually put such a stone through an acid course to harden it. Sometimes it regains its original color and health, but if it has long been affected a cure may be impossible. 'Pearls usually suffer more than other precious stones. Through the ravages of time and other causes they lose the beautiful reflections which constitute all their value. Often, too, they become more or less yellowish. In both cases jewelers usually call them 'dead' pearls. In this condition they are not worth much and a hundred and one means have been resorted to in order to restore their lustre. In some cases the operation succeeds; in others it is a failure."

"There are many 'pearl doctors,' and all have some secret recipe which they claim will restore the lustre; but they are only quacks. Their remedies are very mysterious, and I have seen one which contains as many as eighty-three ingredients. One recipe I have heard of is of dew taken from the leaves of certain plants. My experience has proved that, after all, an acid liquor is the best."

When you take into consideration the constitution of the pearl and how readily it is dissolved by an acid liquor, you can quickly see that a stone submerged in this liquor will be attacked, and as a result its exterior layer will disappear. If the pearl is only a trifle yellow and dim, the removal of the topmost layer will leave exposed the normal layers and the stone will recover its lustre. It, however, all the layers are dimmed and opaque to the centre, nothing can restore the pearl's health.

Care of the Eyes.

Selected.

Don't work longer than two hours without closing the eyes and resting them for five minutes.

Don't use the eyes when they are tired or weak from illness.

Don't sleep opposite a window, or where a strong light will strike the eyes on awakening.

Don't expose the eyes to a strong light at any time, such as sunshine or gas or lamp light.

Don't have colored shades on the lamps. Use white or ground glass. If you must have a colored shade let it be green.

Don't read in a reclining attitude, or in bed.

Don't use the eyes before breakfast. Don't sit facing a strong light. If possible, let the light fall on work or book from over the left shoulder.

Don't neglect to bathe the eyes occasionally with salt water. A weak solution is best.

Don't bathe eyes that are inflamed with cold water. Use warm water.

Don't open the eyes under water when bathing, especially in salt water.

Don't fail to wash the eyes every night before retiring, so as to remove any dust that may have gathered on the lids during the day.

Don't allow a cold, raw wind to strike the eyes.

Don't look too steadily from a car window at objects that are constantly flying past you.

Don't wear a veil with black dots, or one woven with double threads.

Don't try to get a cinder out of the eye by rubbing. Dip a tiny camel's hair brush in oil and draw gently across the eyeball.

Don't rub the eyes by outward motion, but toward the nose, which rounds the ball and preserves its normal shape.

Don't fail to consult an oculist if you find that your eyesight is growing dim, or hesitate to wear glasses if you need them.

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A barrel of hopes a blasted and vain,
A barrel of poverty, ruin and blight,
A barrel of tears that run in the night;
A barrel of crime, a barrel of groans,
A barrel of orphans' most piteous moans
A barrel of serpents that hiss as they pass,
That glow from the liquor in the head of the glass;
A barrel of falsehoods, a barrel of cries
That falls from the maniac's lips as he dies

A Threshold Greeting.

Youths' Companion.

An Italian emigrant steamer, every available foot of its deck space crowded with sea-worn passengers, steamed into New York harbor, and making its way to a North River dock. Just in midstream a double-decked ferry boat, laden with commuters from New Jersey suburbs of the big metropolis, slowed up to allow the steamer to cross its bows.

For a moment or two the commuters, most of them New York business men on the way to their offices, stared with cool indifference at this ship load of peasant foreigners, many of them fresh from the slavery of Sicilian sulphur mines, others from the worn-out, tax-ridden fields of Calabria. In mute wonder, much as might so many round-eyed oxen, the immigrants gazed at the prosperous looking inhabitants of the new land to which they had come.

Then a young man on the upper deck of the ferry boat, prompted perhaps by nothing better than a spirit of fun, waved a newspaper. That was enough. Those thousand voyage-wearied peasants, who had cut all ties of home and country, who had braved all the terrors of a trip across the big ocean to try their fortunes in a strange land and among a strange people they understood. The careless waving of that newspaper meant to them a friendly welcome from the kinfolk of their adoption; it meant a friendly greeting from the land of the free.

And how they did respond! In an instant the crowded decks blazed with color, became alive with motion. A thousand gay-bued neck handkerchiefs were in the air, a thousand battered hats were waving.

High, shrill and clear lifted the joyous shouts from the crowded decks. There were smiles and jests and laughter. The New World had recognized them, had greeted them in a friendly manner. Hurrah! All was well now.

Across the narrow strip of water separating the two boats leaped the enthusiasm. It spread among the commuters. Cold indifference gave way to good natured interest. Brokers, merchants, bankers, clerks, young women stenographers—all caught the spirit of the moment. Silk hats, derbies and white handkerchiefs were waved in answer to the salute of the poor immigrants. Between the two sets of passengers, of course was still a wide social gulf, but for the moment humanity bridged it clear and fair.

If the immigrants went on to meet the vexations awaiting them at Ellis Island with cheered hearts, so several hundred New Yorkers took up the worries of a business day with the vague consciousness of having participated in a kindly act.

EAT ALL YOU WANT.

Persons troubled with indigestion or dyspepsia can eat all they want if they will take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. This remedy prepares the stomach for the reception, retention, digestion and assimilation of all the wholesome food that may be eaten, and enables the digestive organs to transform the same into the kind of blood that gives health and strength. Sold by E. T. Whitehead & Co.

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Mrs. Mollie Allen, of South Fork, Ky., says she has prevented attacks of cholera morbus by taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets when she felt an attack coming on. Such attacks are usually caused by indigestion and these Tablets are just what is needed to cleanse the stomach and ward off the approaching attack. Attacks of bilious colic may be prevented in the same way. For sale by E. T. Whitehead & Co., Scotland Neck, and Leggett's drug store, Hobgood.

CONGRESSMAN LIVINGSTON

Says Pe-ru-na is a Splendid Catarrhal Tonic.



COLONEL L. A. LIVINGSTON, Colonel L. A. Livingston, Member of the Industrial Commission and the leading Democratic member of the Committee on Appropriations in the House of Representatives, whose home is at Atlanta, Ga., writes:

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Lawyers and Editors.

Suppose the liquor dealers should meet and decide to pay some editor to give them the use of his columns for presenting their opposition to closing up the shops where drunkards are made, and suppose an editor were to agree for a specific sum to advocate their cause and conduct their campaign. The editor would be on the same footing as the lawyer who would accept money to manage their campaign. Wherein lies the difference, if there is any? Nobody would respect an editor who would thus sell his columns. Is the lawyer who for pay runs their campaign any better than the editor who would sell his columns?

This is a question that deeply concerns the legal profession and the whole community. The profession of law is an honorable one. It has always had the respect of the people because it has deserved it. Lettary—for the truth ought to be told—too many lawyers have for money lobbied Legislatures, town councils, county commissions; they have sought to unduly control juries or pack juries; have accepted pay for promoting political or personal booms; and have for money conducted campaigns for saloons in prohibition or dispensary fights. Compared with the whole number of the legal profession, these have been few in number. Some of them have, without reflection, become guilty of this unprofessional conduct. The result has been that their course has injured the legal profession. It does not stand as high in popular approval as it did in 1890, let me say. It is wrong that the majority of the profession should suffer for the sins of the minority, but the public do not discriminate as they should, and may not be expected to do so perfectly when men guilty of gross and notorious unprofessional conduct are not deterred or even called to account.

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